CLAIMS:

1. An integrated tuner comprising:

a step AGC amplifier (1); and

means (7-11) for adjusting the step AGC amplifier (1) only during a vertical synchronization interval.

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2. An integrated tuner as claimed in claim 1, wherein the adjusting means (7-11) comprise:

a clock generator (7) for generating clock pulses;

an up/down counter (11) for generating control signals to adjust the step AGC

10 amplifier (1);

means (8) for passing said clock pulses to said up/down counter (11) only during said vertical synchronization interval.

- 3. An integrated tuner as claimed in claim 2, wherein the adjusting means (7-11) further comprise:
- a level detector (9, C1) coupled to an output of the step AGC amplifier (1); and

a dual comparator (10) coupled to an output of said level detector to provide up/down control signals to said up/down counter (11) in dependence on an output signal of said level detector (9, C1).

4. An integrated tuner as claimed in claim 3, wherein the level detector (9, C1) continuously measures a total power of all signals in all channels applied to the step AGC amplifier (1).

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5. A receiver comprising:

an integrated tuner as claimed in claim 1; and

an IF demodulation circuit (5,6) for providing a vertical sync signal to the integrated tuner.